

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

P.Ss – Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board – Misappropriation of cash of Rs.1,99,64,121/- in the Board by way of inflating the expenditure of debit vouchers in cash book – Certain officials placed under suspension and criminal case lodged before Central Crime Station, Hyderabad – Impose a penalty of withholding of 5 annual grade increments with cumulative effect against Sri T.Ravinder Reddy, General Manager (Finance) – Orders – Issued.

**MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (VIG-II)
DEPARTMENT**

G.O.Rt.No. 1265

Dated:21.09.2012

Read the following:

- 1) From the M.D., HMWS & SB, Letter No.DPA/B3/09/6685, Dated : 26.08.2010.
- 2) G.O.Rt.No.353, .MA. & U.D. (Vig.II/2) Dept., Dt.15.03.2011.
- 3) Govt.Memo.No.8406/Vig.II(2)/2010-6, dt:09-05-2011.
- 4) D.O.Lr.No.75/COI-KPC/A1/2011, dt:25-07-2011 from Sri K.Pradeep Chandra, IAS, COI and E.O., GA(COI) Dept.,
- 5) Govt.Memo.No.8406/Vig.II(2)/2010-7-10, dt:16-08-2011.
- 6) Explanations from the Charged Officers.
- 7) Govt.Memo.No.8406/Vig.II(2)/2010-8&9 , dt:-05-05-2012.
- 8) From the MD, HMWS & SB Lr.No.DPA/B3/2009/4371, dt::11-07-2012.
- 9) Govt. Lr.No.8406/Vig.II(2)/2010, dt:24-07-2012.
- 10) From the Secy., APPSC Lr.No.1534/RT/1/2012, dt:22/08/2012.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above the Managing Director, Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board has informed that, based on the reports submitted by the Chief General Manager (Finance) and Director (Finance), the following officials were placed under suspension, as during the period 2006-07 to 16-07-2009, certain bills were passed by them without exercising the checks and ensuring proper maintenance of accounts which has facilitated the misappropriation to the tune of Rs.1,99,64,121/- in the Board by the cashier, who is reported to have committed suicide and also due to slack supervision, improper maintenance of books of accounts and other lapses attributable on the part of the higher officers of the Finance wing of the Board office:

1. Sri T.S.Sriram Kumar, SGA(F&A) / Cashier (Reported to have committed suicide by the Railway Police, Bhongir).
2. Sri B.Satyanandham, General Manager (Finance).

- 3.Smt. Shameemunnissa Begum, Senior Officer (F&A)/Cash & Bank (now retired)
- 4.Sri K. Prakash, Chief General Manager (Finance) (now retired)
- 5.Sri T.Ravinder Reddy, General Manager (Finance)

2. He has further informed that, charges were framed against the aforesaid officials held responsible for the misappropriation and also a Criminal case before the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Detective Department Central Crime Station, Control Room, Hyderabad - vide FIR No.277/2009, Dt.16-10-09 has been registered against them. The police investigation into the criminal case is in progress.

3. In the reference 2nd read above, Sri K.Pradeep Chandra, IAS., Member, Commissionerate of Inquiries has been appointed as Inquiring Authority, to inquire into the charges framed against (1) Sri B.Satyanandham, the then General Manager (Finance), (2) Smt. Shameemunnissa Begum, the then Senior Officer (F&A)/Cash & Bank (now retired) (3) Sri K.Prakash, the then Chief General Manager (Finance) (now retired) and (4) Sri T.Ravinder Reddy, the then General Manager (Finance) of Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board. In the ref 3rd read above Presenting Officers was also appointed in this case.

4. In the reference 4th read above the Inquiry authority has submitted his enquiry report in the matter and the same has been communicated to all the (4) Charged Officers for submitting their representations, if any on the findings of enquiry officer's report under Rule 21(2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules 1991vide reference 5th read above. They have submitted their explanation vide reference 6th read above.

5. After examination of the matter a provisional decision was taken to impose a penalty of withholding 5 (Five) annual grade increments with cumulative effect on employees in-service viz., Sri B.Satyanandam, General Manager (Finance), and Sri T.Ravinder Reddy, General Manager (Finance) and 25% cut in pension permanently in case of retired Charged Officers viz., Smt. Shameerunnissa Begum, Senior Officer (Retd) and Sri K.Prakash, Chief General Manager (Finance) (now Retd.).

6. It has also been decided to recover the misappropriated amount of Rs.199.64 Lakhs from the estate Sri Ram Kumar, Cashier(Expired) under provisions of Andhra Pradesh Revenue Recovery Act . Accordingly revised Show Cause Notices were issued to the retired officers by informing the proposed punishment against them as per Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 to submit their representations if any on the proposed punishment vide ref 7th read above.

7. In the ref 8th read above the Managing Director, Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board has furnished the explanation of the retired officers to the Revised Show Cause Notices issued against them . After examination of the explanations submitted by them Government , have confirmed the provisional decision already taken i.e to impose a penalty

of withholding 5 (Five) annual grade increments with cumulative effect on employees in-service viz., Sri B.Satyanandam, General Manager (Finance), and Sri T.Ravinder Reddy, General Manager (Finance) and 25% cut in pension permanently in case of retired Charged Officers viz., Smt. Shameerunnisa Begum, Senior Officer (Retd) and Sri K.Prakash, Chief General Manager (Finance) (now Retd.).

8. Accordingly in the reference 9th read above the Secretery, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has been requested to place the matter before Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission and communicate the advise to Government for taking further necessary action in the matter.

9. In the reference 10th read above the Secy., Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has stated that Commission agreed with the proposal of the Government i.e to impose a penalty of withholding 5 (Five) annual grade increments with cumulative effect on employees in-service viz., Sri B.Satyanandam, General Manager (Finance), and Sri T.Ravinder Reddy, General Manager (Finance) and 25% cut in pension permanently in case of retired Charged Officers viz., Smt. Shameerunnisa Begum, Senior Officer (Retd) and Sri K.Prakash, Chief General Manager (Finance) (now Retd.).

10. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby impose a penalty of withholding 5 (Five) annual grade increments with cumulative effect against Sri T.Ravinder Reddy. General Manager (Finance).

11. The Managing Director, Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**B.SAM BOB
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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Through Managing Director, Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board
The Managing Director, Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board
Copy to:
The The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission.
The Secretary , Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission
The Accountant General , Andhra Pradesh , Hyderabad.
The Pay & Accounts Officer, Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER